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MOLDING, PROGRAM AND INJECTION MOLDING DEVICE

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1. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2003-355866 published December 10, 2002, to Daiwa Kasai Ind. Co., Ltd., with English Abstract.
2. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 08-118420 published May 14, 1996, to Toyoda Gosei Co., Ltd., with English Abstract.
3. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2001-277308 published October 9, 2001, to Cannon, Inc., with English Abstract.
4. NAGAOKA et al., "Application of CAO Technique to Injection Molding Analysis", V-212, June 13, 2003, with English Abstract.

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5. NAGAOKA et al., "Application of CAO Technique to Injection Molding Analysis", C217, November 4, 2003, with English Abstract.
6. NAGAOKA et al., "New Method of Designing Runner System for Injection Mold Using CAO Technique", ANTEC 2004.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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